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TAGS: PFOR, MILI, PE, PN, EC, CI, BL
SUBJ: WAR FEARS IN THE ANDES

REF: STATE 313214

1. I HAVE MADE CAREFUL INVESTIGATION OF STAFF ACTIVITIES, ESPECIALLY MILITARY ATTACHES, REGARDING RUMORS OF PERUVIAN ARMED ATTACKS ON CHILE AND ECUADOR. I AM SATISFIED THAT OUR PEOPLE HAVE NOT BEEN CAUSE OF GOC CONCERNS. OUR DEFENSE ATTACHE WAS ON LEAVE UNTIL DECEMBER 24. ON DECEMBER 28, AFTER RECEIPT OF THE SERIES OF CABLES ON THIS SUBJECT ON WHICH LA PAZ WAS INFO ADDRESSEE, I HELD COUNTRY TEAM MEETING TO PROVIDE GUIDANCE TO SENIOR STAFF. I INSTRUCTED ALL, ESPECIALLY MILITARY ATTACHES, TO KEEP EARS OPEN FOR COMMENTS BUT THEY WERE NOT TO GO OUT SEEKING BOLIVIAN VIEWS ON POSSIBLE PERU/CHILE CONFLICT. REASON IS WE ALREADY KNOW THEIR
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ATTITUDE AND HAVE SO REPORTED. THERE IS NO NEED FOR US TO CONSULT WITH CHILEANS HERE AND HAVE NOT DONE SO.

2. THIS INCIDENT PARALLELS THAT FOLLOWING VISIT OF MAJOR GENERALS WAGONNER AND CAVASOS TO LIMA. IT IS AN OBJECT LESSION FOR US AND I APPRECIATE HAVING YOUR CABLE TO HELP BRING POINT HOME TO OUR

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